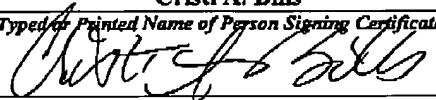


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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The following are Applicants' comments on the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance including in the Notice of Allowability mailed January 5, 2007 (hereinafter "the Statement").

The Statement quotes portions of independent claims 24 and 42 as reciting "a plurality of third apertures formed through the outer tube." While this is accurate as to claim 42, it is not entirely accurate as to claim 24. Instead, claim 24 recites "a third aperture formed through the outer tube..." and not a "plurality" as quoted in the Statement.

Nonetheless, it is submitted that the claims in their present form are allowable over the items of record.

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